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Major General Jack F. Thomas, USAF (Ret.)

Jack:

Thanks for your note of 17 June. I did make it to Salt Lake City--it's a beautiful area of the country. Unfortunately my stays are never long enough to take advantage of the sights.

Re my address to the Reserve Officers Association, I spoke from very cryptic notes so don't have a text to send you.

All the best. Hope things continue to go well.

Regards,

John N. McMahon

19 JUNE
DEAR JOHN.
THE ENCLOSED CLIPPING INDICATES YOU WILL
BE SPEAKING ON 24 JUNE IN SALT LAKE
CITY - WHERE I AM NOW VACATIONING
(MY BROTHER AND TWO OF MY NEPHEWS LIVE
HERE).
UNFORTUNATELY MARGARET AND I WILL LEAVE
S.L.C. BEFORE YOU ARRIVE AND I WILL BE
UNABLE TO ATTEND - BUT I HAVE GIVEN A
FEN FRIENDS A BLOWING IDEA OF WHAT TO
EXPECT.
I WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH IF YOU
WOULD HAVE CHUCK WILSON MAIL ME A COPY
OF YOUR TEXT.
HOPE OUR PATHS CROSS AGAIN SOON.
SINCERELY,
Jack
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1,600 to participate in Reserve Officers' convention in S.L.

The Army secretary, the deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the president and executive director of the Reserve Officers Association of the United States will be among some 1,600 participants at the association's national convention June 22-25 in the Hotel Utah.

The convention begins with registration at noon Wednesday and concludes with a 7:30 inaugural banquet and installation of ROA officers Friday evening. John O. Marsh Jr., Army secretary, will be honored guest and inducted into the ROA's Minuteman Hall of Fame.

John H. McMahon of the CIA is scheduled to discuss "Intelligence in the '80s" at an 8:30 a.m. general session Friday.

That afternoon Adm. James S. Gracey, commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, will address the convention, for which Brig. Gen. Richard O. Christiansen, deputy commanding general of the 96th U.S. Army Reserve Command, Fort Douglas, is host department chairman.

Service-oriented speakers will include Lt. Gens. John F. Forrest, deputy commander-in-chief, U.S. Army Europe, and David E. Grange Jr., commanding general of the Sixth U.S. Army.

Military and civilian military reserve speakers include Dr. Edward Philbin, deputy assistant secretary of Defense; Fred Davidson, assistant secretary of the Navy; Dennis M. Kenneally, acting deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. William Berkman, chief of the Army Reserve; Rear Adms. Robert F. Dunn and James Irwin, chiefs of the Naval and Coast Guard reserves; and Brig. Gen. Roger Scheer, deputy chief of the Air Force Reserve.

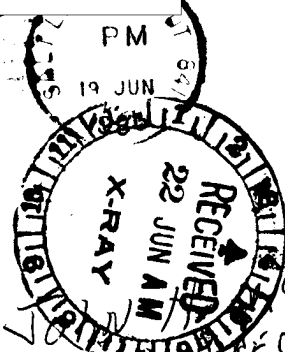
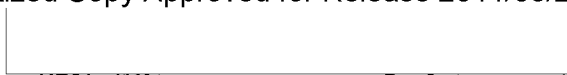
Marsh, who became Army secretary in 1981, saw duty with U.S. occupation forces in Germany. He is an attorney, has been a congressman and was assistant defense secretary for legislative affairs. Marsh was assistant for national security affairs and is the recipient of a number of distinguished military decorations.

Established in 1959, the Minuteman Hall of Fame recognizes patriotism and contributions to national defense. Others honored include Presidents Harry S. Truman, John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan and congressional, civilian and military defense leaders.

Capt. Bennett S. Sparks of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve is ROA president and Maj. Gen. J. Milnor Roberts, is executive director.

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